

TELEGRAPHIC.

WINNIPEG, March 14, '98.

No further rioting has occurred at Bombay.

Russia is expected to receive 90,000,000 roubles on her navy.

The New England cotton strike is still unsettled.

Eleven persons were burned to death in New York.

Three highway robberies are reported from Skagway.

The overdue steamship Paris arrived at Southampton.

The rush to the Yukon is undiminished at Vancouver.

The Manitoba legislature was opened by Lieut. Governor Patterson.

Work on the Stikine-Tetlin road is impeded by spring frosts.

Russia, it is said, will check Japanese aggression in China at any cost.

Great Britain's channel fleet is available for foreign service in case of war.

The elections in West Huron, South Perth and Ottawa are not yet finished.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier confirms the report that troops will be sent to the Yukon.

An English syndicate is negotiating for the purchase of the Chinese sailing canaries.

Another line of steamers is announced to sail from Port Arthur to United States ports.

The London Times intimates that Great Britain may be forced to defend her rights in China.

The United States navy and army authorities are actively preparing for war with Spain.

An alliance between Great Britain, Japan and the United States is rumored at Washington.

Shares in the New Lipton Company were floated in England and were subscribed for three times over.

There is no trouble at the White pass on account of the establishment of a Canadian customs post there.

The report that gold paying \$10 to \$20 a day has been struck at Kelly river, is arousing much interest.

Spain has a fleet of privateers at Barcelona and Valencia ready to attack the United States commerce.

LOCAL.

TRAIL left Calgary on time.

ST. PATRICK'S day on Thursday.

Mrs. and Miss Oliver returned from the east on last train.

Mrs. KIRKPATRICK returned from the east on Friday's train.

THE Dr. Potts' party of four from Chicago, pulled out for the north on Thursday.

R. C. ANDREWS came in on Wednesday's train with a car load of horses for the Klondike.

DR. HOWE, formerly a member of the Chicago Steam Sleigh Co., returned home last week having given up the idea of the prospecting trip.

THE H. B. Co. has had the site of Athabasca Landing laid out in town lots, and the company will shortly be prepared to place lots on the market for sale.

A CALICO ball and box social will be held in the Royal Hotel, South Edmonton, on the 12th of April. Each lady provides a box containing lunch for two, which will be sold by auction.

GLEN CAMPBELL's party pulled out for Peace river, by the Slave Lake trail on Saturday, with a complete outfit comprised of twelve men, sixty seven horses, thirty dogs and a good outfit of supplies.

A CONCERT will be held in the Presbyterian church, South Edmonton, to-morrow evening. An Edmonton quartette composed of Messrs. Gookson and Rogers and Messrs. Randall and McIntyre will assist.

MESSRS. Harling, Sherman, Freeman, Groath and Hartigan of the late Chicago steam sleigh company, left for the Landing on Saturday. They will build boats there and proceed down stream on the opening of navigation.

A KLONDIKE party of seven, from Montgomery, Penn., under the leadership of B. F. Decker, arrived on Wednesday's train. The names of the parties are D. E. Thorne, Jos. Henderson, Robt. Eager, Jos. Moore, J. W. Rogers and Lauder High.

A PARTY of six Americans left town on Saturday with fifty head of beef steers which they propose driving to the Yukon, going by way of the new Slave lake trail, to Peace river. The steers were purchased from Cinnamon Bros. ranch, at Beaver Lake.

THE fair play, Cinderella, will be put on in the Robertson opera house, by South Edmonton Juveniles, on the evening of the 14th, of April, with a Matinee at 2:30 on Easter Monday, the 11th. The concert is in aid of Holy Trinity church, South Edmonton.

MESSRS. C.A. Loveland sr., and Dan Loveland returned on Friday last from Plattville, Wis., to resume gold dredging on the Saskatchewan when spring opens. They will commence the construction of their dredge at once and intend fitting it with new machinery throughout. Mr. Loveland's health is much improved.

At the regular meeting of the Apollo Glee Club, held on Thursday evening, a committee was appointed to pick out a double quartette who will get up a number of glees, quartettes, duets and solos for the purpose of putting on a concert in the Robertson Opera house. It was decided to hold the concert on the evening of the 9th of April.

THE silver trophy to be competed for each year by the hockey teams of schools in the vicinity of town, was ordered last night by Rev. H. A. Gray, the originator of the idea which was so heartily received by the boys. About \$45 was collected by subscription and the whole amount will be expended for the trophy, a large and handsome heavy silver cup. The cup will be held this year by the north side team who won it at the recent match here.

THE boats for the Clarke party of eight from Ontario, were taken out to the Landing on Saturday. The party will have three boats in all, and one will be supplied with an engine and run by a steam wheel. Each of the boats will carry about three tons and the engine boat will tow the others. Their projected route is by the Athabasca and Mackenzie and up the Liard. The members of the party will leave for the Landing about the end of the month. Sergt. Dymond, late of the N. W. M. P., of Fort Saskatchewan, will be a member of the expedition.

APPLICATIONS for the position of night-watchman are being called by the town clerk.

A SEATTLE despatch of the 9th says that a nugget worth \$1,036 has been found in Eldorado Creek.

GEO. Russell leaves in the morning for the Landing to take charge of McDougall & Secord's branch store there.

The Cannon ball appropriating \$50,000,000 for war purposes, passed the United States Congress with great enthusiasm.

THE ladies aid society of the Methodist church are arranging a programme for a concert to be held in the church on the evening of the 29th inst.

MESSRS. J. C. Iobbe and Adolph Claret, of the Marks, Dobie, Claret Co., arrived on last train, with two cars of merchandise for their new store here. Other large consignments of goods are on the way.

ED. Williams arrived from the Landing today and reports business lively there. There are a large number of Klondike parties encamped there preparing to start down the river when the ice leaves.

DR. McNeill and Alf. Brown, with two men Chas. McCallum and Geo. Adsett are preparing to leave for the north. They are getting to get away by Wednesday and will go by the Slave lake trail, taking flat sleds, and packs after the snow leaves.

A HORSE belonging to a band of seventy-five others, at present corralled on the south side, was shot through the head and killed a few nights ago. The matter is shrouded in mystery, but may be elucidated by police court proceedings later.

REV. Mr. Glass and Chief Pagan, who addressed a large audience in the Methodist church last evening, will speak to-morrow evening (Tuesday) in the Baptist church at 8 o'clock. Gospel services continued on other evenings of this week in the Baptist church.

A. E. POTTER opens his school of placer mining to-day, where he will give lessons in the practical work of washing and panning gold. Mr. Potter has had considerable experience in placer mining and washing for floor gold on the river here and his experience should be of benefit to the intending prospector.

At the meeting of the curling club, called on Thursday night last, a committee was appointed to draft a letter of condolence to Mrs. Kinniston, conveying the sympathy of the club to her in her bereavement. Instructions were also wired for a wreath to be procured and placed on the casket.

On Friday last, while one of the dining room girls of the Commercial hotel, South Edmonton, was engaged about her work, a 32 calibre bullet came through the window pane, passed between her arm and body and flattened itself against the wall. The matter was investigated by the police, but the person responsible for the shooting could not be located and the supposition is that it was accidental.

THE delegation of the Northwest Dairy-men's association will arrive on Thursday night on the 11th inst. They will be held in the town hall here on the afternoon of the following day, Friday, the 12th. They are holding meetings in towns along the line and will drive in by trail. The president, vice-president and secretary of the association will be present, also Angus McKay, of the experimental farm, Indian Head. A meeting will be held at St. Albert on the 13th.

JOHNIE Robertson returned on Friday from Slave lake, where he had gone with freight for the H. B. Co. He left Edmonton on the 28th of December with ten loaded flat sleds. At Deer Mountain, 80 miles this side of Lesser Slave lake post, he left half of his loads and reached Slave lake with the balance on the 25th of January. He afterwards returned for the balance and made a third trip for Dr. Brown, who had cached some of his outfit on Swan river. The Brown, White and Gross parties will build boats at Peace river crossing and continue their journey by water. A great number of parties were met along the trail, so many that it was impossible to remember the different outfits. The trip out was made before the road had been opened by the Northwest government, and in consequence it was necessary to take the old pack trail for part of the distance, and that necessitated considerable cutting to let the flat sleds through and caused delay as well. The trail on Swan river was better on the return than it was on the outward trip when it was glaze ice. The sleds which Mr. Robertson used were flat sleds provided with broad runners, and he states, they were the most satisfactory sleigh use on the trail. The return trip (light) from Slave lake post occupied 11 days.

CURLING.

The final in the competition for the Galt blue ribbon cup and the four medals presented by M. McCauley, M. L., was played on Thursday night, between Lauder and Johnson's rinks and resulted in the defeat of the latter rink by a score of ten to nine.

The following are the rinks as they played:

N. Lauder. F. McKay,
N. Jackson. W. E. Jackson,
M. McCauley. Jas. Calder,
T. G. Lauder. J. L. Johnson—9.

LOST.

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A. G. RANDALL, Town Clerk.

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No reserve. Two complete Klondike outfits, comprising Groceries, Provisions and Hardware, Pack, Saddle and Cart Harness; also eight Pack Horses. Sale at Sheriff's Office, at 2 p. m., Thursday, 17th inst. Inventory of goods may be seen at Sheriff's Office. Terms cash.

W. S. ROBERTSON, Auctioneer.

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CALICO BALL

A Calico Ball of the Red Social will be held at the Royal Hotel, South Edmonton, on April 12th, 1898. Proceeds for building Stand at the Agricultural Society's grounds. Gentlemen's tickets \$1.00. Each lady will kindly provide a box containing lunch for two, which will be sold by auction. Lunch will be provided for those not having boxes, at 25c.

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The livery business now run in connection with the Queen's Hotel, Edmonton, is for sale, together with the complete livery outfit pertaining thereto and consisting of Horses, Harness, Buggies, Bus, Etc.

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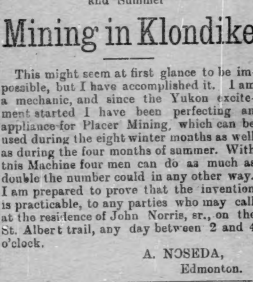
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EDMONTON BULLETIN, MARCH 14TH, 1908

STICKINE RAILWAY DEBATE.

The following is the speech delivered by Frank Oliver on the motion for second reading of the Stickine railway bill:

Mr. Oliver. Mr. Speaker, I will take the liberty to discuss the motion from the point of view of the constituents whom I represent rather than as a matter of general policy. I do this principally for the reason that the constituency of Alberta, owing to its geographical position and the nature of its productions, has a particular interest in the development of the Yukon district, just as it has a particular interest in the development of the Kootenay country. The agricultural region which lies immediately to the east of the Rocky Mountains, in the nature of things, has the most intimate interest in the development of the mineral region lying immediately to the west of those mountains, whether that region be north or south. The success of the agriculturist depends not only on the favorable conditions of the locality in which he lives, but equally upon the value of the market that he secures for his products. Our situation in the far west is unfavorable to some extent for the marketing of our products in the east; but it is proportionately favorable for the marketing of our products in the west. Lacking, then, to a great extent the markets in the east, we look to the development of the country west of the mountains as that which will most certainly tend to the development of our country east of the mountains. Therefore, I repeat, we have the most intimate interest in the mining development of any country east of the mountains. And inasmuch as the Yukon excitement is the greatest excitement, we have the greatest interest in the development of that region, owing to our being its nearest agricultural neighbor in the Dominion.

While I might claim the right to take up the time of the House discussing this matter from a local point of view, and while I do take my stand, to a certain extent, on that somewhat narrow ground, I might wish to point out that, although the point of view in which I regard the question is of great local interest, nevertheless, it is one which is likewise of considerable interest to the whole Dominion. It is on the general prosperity and progress of the agricultural regions of central Canada that the prosperity and progress of the whole of Canada must depend. Eastern Canada cannot hope for any considerable further expansion, except through the further development and expansion of Western Canada; so that anything which tends to the development of the west,—anything which can promote the development of our western agricultural regions,—must tend directly and intimately to the progress, and development, and prosperity of Eastern Canada. If I take this opportunity of discussing the Yukon railway scheme from the standpoint of the agriculturists of the west, I do not think I am open to the charge of wasting the time of the House, or the time of those members who represent the eastern portion of the Dominion, because they, too, have a direct and intimate interest in the prosperity of that part of the country of which I have the honor to be one of the representatives.

I propose to discuss this Yukon bargain from the point of view in which it has been laid before the public. The claims made on its behalf are, first, that it will secure to Canada the trade of the Yukon which otherwise would fall into the hands of the Americans. Second, that it will secure the development of the Yukon, and third, that it will prevent the otherwise certain starvation which, without it, is bound to occur. These are the three points that are claimed in favor of the contract, and I propose to discuss them from the point of view of the locality I represent.

As to the construction of this road preserving to Canada the trade of the Yukon, I can only say that so far as we, in our part of the country can see, and so far as our interests are concerned, it does not appear to us as calculated to attain that object. The trade of the Yukon country is very largely one in food products, and it is that part of the trade in which we in the Northwest are particularly interested. If the construction of this railway will give us that trade, then certainly we are bound to support it; but if, on the other hand, it falls in that object, then there is no inducement to us at any rate, to give it our support. As a matter of fact, the possibility of supplying agricultural or any other products to any market depends, in the first place, upon the cost of production, and in the next place, on the cost of transportation. If we, the agriculturists of the west, can reach the Yukon market over the railway about to be constructed, so as to be in a position

to compete successfully with our rivals from other countries, then that railway, no matter where located, will be of great advantage to us. But if the circumstances are such that we shall not be able to compete over that railway with our rivals to the south of the line, then, so far as we are concerned, and to that extent, it is of no use at all to us.

The geographical position is this. The nearest points of production of surplus food products in the Dominion to the Yukon is that part of the country in which I live—the country immediately surrounding Edmonton—and the next nearest point is the country immediately surrounding Regina and extending eastward to Winnipeg. If the food products, therefore, which are consumed in the Yukon cannot be drawn from those localities, they cannot be drawn from any other part of Canada, but must be obtained from some other and foreign country. The distance by rail from Edmonton to the coast at Vancouver is a matter of 800 miles, and from Regina to the coast by rail it is 1,000 miles; and if you go further east towards Winnipeg it is 1,200 to 1,400 miles. In that distance the Rocky and Selkirk ranges have to be crossed, and the haul is proportionately expensive. Any point on the Pacific coast is a common point for the Yukon trade over the proposed railway. Our competitors for the furnishing of the food products to that country are the states of Washington, Oregon and California. These States are the producers of surplus food—the very articles required by a mining community, and the same articles that we produce. They are, and have always been, our competitors in the markets of British Columbia. The agricultural regions of Washington, Oregon and California are situated at distances by rail from the coast running from scarcely any distance at all up to 300 miles. That is to say, our competitors have the advantage of a haul of from nothing to 300 miles, against a haul by rail of 800 or 1,000 miles. Under the circumstances it is not necessary to argue for an instant, that if the agricultural products of our country have to reach the Yukon region over the Teslin lake railway, they will not be used in the Yukon at all in competition with those of Oregon, Washington and California. I am not speaking for the rest of the country, I am not arguing on principles or politics, but merely placing an undoubted fact before this House, so that the position taken will be thoroughly understood, and why it is being taken. If we, the agriculturists of the west, cannot compete with our rivals across the line for the trade of the Yukon in food products, which is by far the greater part of that trade, then it is for us to look for some other means whereby we can hope to obtain that trade.

The position of Eastern Canada, as I understand it, is this: If we can sell to the Yukon the food the people there require at advantageous prices, then the manufacturers and merchants of Eastern Canada will be in a position to do greater business with us; for every dollar that we get means, we will say, fifty cents to the manufacturer or merchant of Eastern Canada. But the supplies which the agriculturists of Washington, Oregon or California sell to the Yukon means nothing to the merchants or manufacturers of Eastern Canada. If I have proved that we, the agriculturists of the west, are not able to enter that country with our products in competition with our competitors, I have proved not only for ourselves but for Eastern Canadians as well that their interests are not being served fairly and fully by the construction of the Teslin lake railway.

I said that a second claim made on behalf of this bargain was that by it the Yukon country would be developed. I am prepared to admit that to a certain extent. But I wish to draw the attention of the House to the difference in the interest which this country has as between the development of the Yukon resulting from that development. The development of the Yukon means nothing to this country if that development does not mean increase of trade for this country. Little as I would wish to oppose the development of any part of the country by any reasonable means, it is a very grave question whether we are justified in taking measures to develop a certain section of our country when we are not taking corresponding measures to get the benefit resulting from that development; when we are only helping our opponents, our rivals, our commercial enemies to reap the harvest from its development. I am not what is called a national policy man, in so far as the national policy means a high tariff. But I should like to be understood as being a thoroughly national policy man when I hold the ground that whatever is done within the limits of the Dominion of Canada should be done for Canada, and if we cannot do it for Canada, we can afford not to do it at all.

However, that is not the point I wish to speak of particularly. I wish to discuss for a few moments with your leave, Mr. Speaker, a certain feature of this proposition—the granting of a certain area of mineral lands to this country. I take the liberty

of discussing this side of the question because it seems to me it is one on which the members who have already spoken are not, perhaps, informed from the same point of view as I happen to be, owing to circumstances. According to the knowledge which I have acquired from practical miners, the proposition to hand over a certain area of gold-bearing land of the Yukon under the system proposed—that is to say, given the right of selection of eighty different parcels throughout that country—is not a proposition to hand over, in itself, the development of the Yukon, or, I would add, to the development of the trade of the Yukon. The reason is this: We must depend for the development of the Yukon and the value of the trade resulting from that development upon the number of men who are employed by others or who employ themselves in searching for or digging gold in that country, and any action which restricts in any way the energy or the ambition, or, if you like to call it so—since the word has been used here—the gambling propensity of the prospector, is so much hindrance to the country, so much hindrance to the trade of the country which trade we wish to do. I am not finding fault with the area of the grant which is made, because the difference between three million acres and ten million acres in that country means nothing—absolutely nothing. It is not the area, but the right of selection. Or I will turn it the other way and say that a grant of one hundred thousand acres in that country with the right of prior selection is a better thing for the party to whom it is granted than ten million acres to be taken arbitrarily without selection. The case of mining lands is different from that of agricultural lands. The gold of the Cariboo—some thirty or forty millions of dollars—was taken out of an area less, I believe, than one of the blocks that are to be granted to Mackenzie & Mann. Now, if one block of three miles by six miles, or of six miles by twenty-four miles, is likely to contain, or may possibly contain thirty millions of dollars which can be mined at a profit, it is clear that no company or organization requires a very large number of such areas in order to satisfy even the most rapacious in the matter of this world's wealth. The question is not as to the number of acres you give, but as to giving the right of selection; and when you give a railway company the absolute right of prior selection of eighty blocks of land, speaking generally and roughly of six miles by twenty-four miles, you practically, in my humble estimation, hand over to them the total gold-bearing area of that country, unless the Yukon transcends any gold-bearing country that exists on earth or ever existed. Take the province of British Columbia, which is much larger than what we call the Yukon district. It has been mined and prospected for thirty or forty years, and there is not a man here but knows, if he knows anything of British Columbia, that to give to any concern the right of selection of eighty blocks of land of the size proposed to be given to Mackenzie & Mann, would enable that corporation to cover every mine in British Columbia that ever did pay, that is now paying or that, in all human probability, ever will pay. When you give that privilege to any organization of men you certainly put the prospector and miner at a corresponding disadvantage; and, as I maintain that it is upon the energy of the prospector that the development and the trade of the country depends, in so far as you hamper the prospector, you injure the country.

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prospect, and having prospected it and found rich mines, they will work them to their own advantage; and that, therefore, instead of this land grant meaning less development, it means more development. That is a point I would like to discuss for a moment. In the first place, Mackenzie & Mann do not need any more prospectors into that country. There are a hundred thousand men in the Yukon or on the way to the Yukon, or preparing to start to the Yukon, and every one of those men, under the terms of this agreement is a prospector of Mackenzie & Mann. If any man of that hundred thousand strikes a good claim anywhere in that Yukon country within the next nine years, Mackenzie & Mann, under this agreement, will get the advantage of that discovery. There is no question about that. They do not take the claim he has located, but after he has located a claim, they can "blanket" the surrounding country. Therefore, I say they do not need to employ a single individual for every man who goes into that country is a prospector for them, and their expenditure on account of prospecting, as an addition to the trade of the country, may, therefore, be wiped off the slate.

Now, then, we will suppose that they have taken up their grant of land, or their half of six by twenty-four miles; and supposing for the moment that the area is situated on the Klondike, there is room in that area probably for 15,000 or 20,000 miners, including their helpers, if it were all good ground to work on ordinarily sized claims. If Mackenzie & Mann, being business men, take up one of these grants and find good pay upon it, they will work that good pay, but they will not work what is not good pay. That is the difference between Mackenzie & Mann having the land and it being thrown open to the ordinary prospector. Let the ordinary prospector strike a claim, and forthwith hundreds of others will flock in and take their chances of developing the surrounding country. But under the agreement, if a miner strikes a claim and Mackenzie & Mann hold the surrounding block of country, they put on their prospectors, and if it appears to them particularly rich, they employ ten or twenty men in working that particular rich area; but they do not employ the hundreds of men, the thousands of men, who would flock into that area and work it on the chance of making something, if it had been left open for them to do. This country is only good for \$10 a day, Mackenzie & Mann will work the deposit that is good for a million or two, but the \$10 a day area will lie dormant, and we will be out the difference in the amount of trade that the area will produce. I say upon this question, because I do not think the members of the House are posted upon the effect which the restrictions upon the energy of the prospector will necessarily have upon the actual development of the Yukon country. To throw the choice of the whole of all the land of that country into the hands of our company will be, I say, a greater hindrance to its development than the building of the railway can possibly be a help to it.

Another thing I wish to point out is that the grant of land to Mackenzie & Mann extends not only throughout the Yukon territory, but it extends outside and over to the Mackenzie river. On behalf of the country east of the mountain, I claim that it is essentially unfair that the country west of the mountains that can possibly be advantaged by the development that will result from the building of this railway. The country east of the mountain lying between the Mackenzie river and the Rocky Mountains, must necessarily depend for its development upon whatever communication there may be entirely on the east side, whether by water or by railway; and I say it is essentially unfair that for the building of a railroad west of the mountains, that can only benefit the country west of the mountains, these people should be given the right of selection east of the mountains as well.

The third point alleged in favor of this contract is, believe me, the number of philanthropic grounds of establishing communication at an early date. It is held that if such communication is not provided at an early date whereby people can go into and come out of the country, and that they will be starved there next winter, and there will be a terrible condition of affairs, for which this country would be responsible. Let us look at that for one moment. Remember, Sir, I hold that if there is danger, or if there is likely to be danger of starvation in any part of the Dominion of Canada, it is the duty of this government to take such measures as may be necessary to prevent that starvation. Whether the people concerned are citizens of our own country or not. But it seems to me that the idea that there will necessarily be starvation in the Yukon country next year is rather far-fetched. There was a rush to the Yukon territory, a rush that was entirely unexpected, and we have every assurance that there will be no starvation there this year, for the reason that the people were in danger of starvation simply got up and walked out, a very natural proceeding on their part, and one that I think any one would expect them to take. Now, if these people get up and walked out last winter, I suppose that if the people there next winter should find circumstances unfavorable for remaining, they also will get up and walk out. Even if there was no prospect of the construction of a railway, or no prospect of improved communication into that country during the coming summer, there is no reasonable probability that people would stay in that country without taking with them sufficient provisions to carry them through the winter. The experience of this winter would induce them to do that. So I say there is no danger, in the nature of things, if matters were left alone, of starvation occurring there next winter, especially when we know that it has not occurred this winter. But there is this further consideration. When it has been advertised far and wide throughout the world that the Canadian government is taking means to prevent starvation by building a railway, people will thereby be encouraged to go in without making sufficient provision for themselves, and perhaps if the railway should fall, in consequence, if there should come an early fall, then there might be starvation as the result of the promises that were made; or else the people would do as they have already done, they will get up and walk out.

So I say that whatever reasons may be urged in favor of the railway, and I do not wish to traverse or discuss them—

nor do I want to traverse or discuss the objections that are raised against it—I say that on these three points I see no reason for supporting this contract; namely—on the ground that it is going to secure the trade for Canada, on the ground that it is going to develop the country, and on the ground that it is necessary as a humanitarian proposition. Furthermore, Mr. Speaker, I will say this in addition to what I said a few minutes ago in regard to the national development of this country. If there is gold in the Yukon district, it is our gold; if it is there to-day, it will be there to-morrow, it will be there ten years from now, if it is not taken out. It is money in the bank for this Canadian nation. I will take the liberty of saying that I do not believe the Canadian nation should go into mining speculation. I do not believe that as a nation we should try to make money out of the Yukon in that way. But I say that the Canadian nation, as a nation, has a right to-day—and it is a duty as well as a right and privilege—to take all reasonable means to secure whatever benefits may naturally accrue from the development of the Yukon to Canada through the ordinary course of trade. I have no hesitation in taking the ground that if circumstances are such that to-day Canada can reap a benefit from the development of the Yukon, it is our duty to see that she does so, as representing the business interests of the country. In the first place to take measures for securing that trade, rather than for the purpose of merely securing the development of the country. I think that in this case the cart is being put before the horse, that our first step should be to secure the trade of the Yukon and then provide for the further development of the Yukon. But if I understand the matter aright, we are providing for the development of the Yukon, and our rivals, our opponents, our enemies to a great extent, are to reap the benefit of that development, pending action to be taken by us in the future, more or less distant, to secure a share of that trade. It does not appear to me to be a business-like proposition that we should develop our country for the benefit of our rivals. I believe in development, but I believe in development for our own benefit. On the ground that it is our first duty to take such measures as will conserve to Canada and to Canadians the trade of the Yukon rather than to secure the development of that country for the benefit of the trade of our rivals—on that ground, if on no other, I have no hesitation in registering my vote against the second reading of this bill.

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